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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. <b>09/603,448</b>	Applicant(s) <b>Thomas</b>
	Examiner <b>Jeffrey Fredman</b>	Art Unit <b>1637</b>

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Jeffrey Fredman

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(2) Mark Skoog, App. Rep.

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Date of Interview Jul 18, 2002

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
c) Personal [copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

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Claim(s) discussed: All claims

Identification of prior art discussed:

Farr and Justus

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The examiner and applicant's representative discussed the claims with regard deleting the term "logarithmic" from claim 1. The examiner indicated that limiting the claims to "stationary phase" would overcome the current rejections. The examiner and applicant's representative also discussed claim 57, and in particular, focusing the claim on the Umu genes with possible unexpected results or other secondary consideration relative to other SOS genes.

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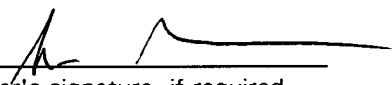
(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

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Examiner's signature, if required